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SUBJECT: UNHCR APPEAL FOR ANGOLA RELIEF, AND RESPONSES

REF: (A) GENEVA 6925; (B) GENEVA 8531 (NOTAL)

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM U.N. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES TO SECSTATE DATED DECEMBER 3 WHICH ACKNOWLEDGES SECRETARY'S LETTER OF NOV. 22 CONCERNING THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S APPEAL FOR HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE IN ANGOLA, AND EXPRESSES APPRECIATION FOR USG'S OFFER TO PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY 25 PERCENT OF FOOD REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED TRANSPORTATION COSTS. LETTER STATES UNHCR STAFF WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH MISSION IN GENEVA AND WITH WFP CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS. LETTER BEING AIR-POUCHED TODAY, REGISTRY NO. 0985883.

2. FORWARDING LETTER FROM DEPUTY UNHCR TO MISSION TRANSMITS LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS MADE OR PLEDGED THROUGH DECEMBER 6 IN RESPONSE TO HIGH COMMISSIONER'S ANGOLAN APPEAL. SUMMARIZED, CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE BEEN AS FOLLOWS (IN U.S. DOLLARS):

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A. THROUGH UNHCR: CYPRUS 239; DENMARK 1.7 MILLION; NORWAY 373,315; SAUDI ARABIA 60,000; SWEDEN 1.9 MILLION IN CASH, AND 1.4 MILLION IN FOOD; SWITZERLAND 84,700 IN FOOD; UNITED KINGDOM 412,541; OXFAM (UK) 6,566 IN KIND; UNHCR EMERGENCY FUND 500,000.

B. U.N. SYSTEM: WHO 5,500 IN KIND; UNICEF 2.0 MILLION, WITH NOTE THAT UNICEF HAS ALREADY PROVIDED 2 MILLION PRIOR TO UNHCR APPEAL, AND 7.1 MILLION IN FOOD; WFP 1.8 MILLION IN FOOD.

C. BILATERAL: NORWAY 79,844 IN FOOD; CARITAS (FRG) 34,000 IN KIND, AS ARE FOLLOWING; RECONTRE ET DEVELOPPEMENT (ALGERIA) 3,373; SWEDISH FREE CHURCH AID 188,973; WCC 74,719.

TOTALS RECEIVED AGAINST 32.5 MILLION CASH REQUIREMENT: 6.95 MILLION IN CASH, 313,131 IN KIND, FOR A TOTAL OF 7.267 MILLION;

AGAINST FOOD REQUIREMENTS: 10.5 MILLION, PLUS U.S. CONTRIBUTION OF 25 PERCENT OF ALL FOOD REQUIREMENTS, WHOSE VALUE IS PRESENTLY UNDETERMINED.

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL CONTRIBUTIONS: 17,772,188.

3. FORWARDING LETTER NOTES THAT NEW OR INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS ARE UNDER STUDY BY GOVERNMENTS OF ALGERIA, NETHERLANDS, NIGERIA, NORWAY, PERU, ROMANIA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AS WELL AS BY THE EEC AND OAU. IT REPORTS THAT FOLLOWING ASSISTANCE ITEMS DELIVERED OR UNDER PROCUREMENT ARE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE COMMITMENTS IN VIEW OF PRESENT LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND REPRESENT ONLY FRACTION OF TOTAL NEEDS: TRUCKS, 8 SHIPPED, 42 UNDER PROCUREMENT; LIGHT VEHICLES, 9 DELIVERED, 11 SHIPPED, 15 UNDER PROCUREMENT; AGRICULTURAL HAND TOOLS, 100,000 PROCURED LOCALLY, 17,500 DELIVERED, 80,000 SHIPPED, 70,000 UNDER PROCUREMENT; SEEDS, 105 TONS UNDER PROCUREMENT; SEWING MACHINES, 50 DELIVERED; SOAP, 38 TONS SHIPPED.

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IN ADDITION TO FOREGOING, 100,000 DOLLARS HAS BEEN PLACED AT DISPOSITION OF ANGOLA GOVERNMENT FOR LOCAL PURCHASE OF FOOD, DOMESTIC UTENSILS, BLANKETS, ETC.

4. LETTER NOTES THAT OF 4 MILLION DOLLARS OF UNICEF'S SPECIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS APPROVED FOR ANGOLA THIS YEAR, SOME 2 MILLION DOLLARS CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TOWARD REQUIREMENTS IN COORDINATOR'S APPEAL, ESPECIALLY

IN FIELDS OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND TRAINING. IT OBSERVES THAT INICEF IS NOW ENDEAVORING TO RAISE BALANCE OF 5.5 MILLION NEEDED UNDER THESE HEADINGS.

5. THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP) WILL HANDLE LOGISTICS AND MONITORING OF FOOD ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FOOD PROGRAM, THE LETTER NOTES, AND WFP HAS IN COORDINATION WITH ANGOLA GOVERNMENT ASSIGNED A FOOD LOGISTICS EXPERT TO LUANDA TO ASSURE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION TO AFFECTED POPULATION.

6. IN REGARD TO THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION OF 25 PERCENT OF THE FOOD NEEDS, THE LETTER SUGGESTS THAT SINCE PART OF THESE NEEDS HAVE ALREADY, OR WILL SOON BE MET, THE USG MIGHT CONSIDER, IN CONSULTATION WITH WFP, MAKING AVAILABLE THOSE ITEMS WHOSE PROSPECTS OF SUPPLY ARE NOT CURRENTLY BRIGHT. THESE WOULD PROBABLY BE: CANNED FISH OR MEAT; VEGETABLE OIL; ENRICHED FLUR; AND MAIZE MEAL.

7. UNHCR PROPOSES TO REFLECT USG CONTRIBUTION, WHICH IS OF UNDETERMINED DOLLAR MOUNT AT THIS TIME AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS ANNOUNCED ITS INTENTION TO CONTRIBUTE APPROXIMATELY 25 PERCENT OF THE FOOD SUPPLIES REQUIRED UNDER THE APPEAL, PLUS THE FREIGHT OF THESE COMMODITIES TO LUANDA AND RELATED COSTS. UNQUOTE. CATTO

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